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**Certificate of General Experience – Public Accounting**  
**Form 11A-29 (Revised 5/11)**

**Purpose:** To provide evidence of an applicant's public accounting general experience.

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**Applicability:** Type A, B, C, and E applicants and F licensees (see reverse.)

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**Who Completes:** The licensed CPA holding a valid license to practice public accounting who supervises the applicant's performance of services provided. A second licensee with a higher level of responsibility in the firm must also verify the applicant's experience. If the licensee who supervises the applicant is a sole proprietor, partner, or shareholder, no second signature is required.

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**Required Action:** Complete and verify your supervision of the applicant's general experience.

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**When:** Upon the applicant's request. Failure to submit the Certificate of General Experience – Public Accounting is viewed by the Board as an attempt to impede the applicant's certification and may result in disciplinary action.

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**Submit To:** California Board of Accountancy  
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**Authority:** Business and Professions Code Sections 5092, 5093 and 5095, and Sections 12 and 12.5 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations.

## TYPES OF LICENSURE APPLICANTS

- Type A      An applicant who **passed the Uniform CPA Exam in California**, has not been issued a valid license to practice public accounting in any state and is applying for licensure as a CPA in California for the first time.
- Type B      An applicant who **passed the Uniform CPA Exam in a state other than California** and has not been issued a valid license to practice public accounting in any state and is applying for licensure as a CPA in California for the first time.
- Type C      An applicant who was issued a valid license to practice public accounting in a state other than California.
- Type D      An applicant who **previously was licensed as a CPA in California** and the certificate was cancelled after five years for nonpayment of license renewal fees.
- Type E      An applicant who **passed the** Canadian Chartered Accountant Uniform Certified Public Accountant Qualification Examination (**CAQEX**) of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) **or** the International Uniform Certified Public Accountant Qualification Examination (**IQEX**) of the AICPA and the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA).
- Type F      A California licensee originally issued a license to perform general accounting services who has now completed attest experience.



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## CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL EXPERIENCE (PUBLIC ACCOUNTING)

**This form is to be COMPLETED and MAILED directly to the California Board of Accountancy (CBA)**

PRINT OR TYPE

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT: (No Initials)      (First)                      (Middle)                      (Last)				SOCIAL SECURITY # (Last 4 only) XXX-XX-____		
<b>PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT</b>						
List the dates applicant was under your supervision and obtained qualifying general accounting experience, as defined below.						
<b>FULL TIME DATES</b>	FROM (MO/DAY/YR)	TO (MO/DAY/YR)	<b>PART-TIME DATES</b>	FROM (MO/DAY/YR)	TO (MO/DAY/YR)	TOTAL-PART-TIME HOURS
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General accounting experience may include providing any type of service or advice involving the use of accounting, attest, compilation, management advisory, financial advisory, tax or consulting skills. To qualify, experience shall have been performed in accordance with applicable professional standards.

If an applicant is performing attest services as part of the general experience, it must be performed under the supervision of a licensee who has satisfied the attest experience requirement.

**An applicant who obtains licensure without satisfying the attest experience requirement (Section 12.5 of the CBA Regulations) cannot sign reports on attest engagements of any kind until the attest experience requirement is completed and authorization is given by the CBA.**

BUSINESS NAME:	BUSINESS TELEPHONE:	Area Code (   )
ADDRESS: (Include City, State, and Zip Code)		

Section 12 of the CBA Regulations requires that public accounting experience be verified by the person supervising the experience and by a second person with a higher level of responsibility in the public accounting firm. The second person signing the verification shall be an owner of the public accounting firm holding a valid license or comparable authority to practice public accounting. If the owner of the public accounting firm signing the verification is also the person supervising the experience, no second signature is required. **Supervised experience means that the applicant's supervisor shall have reviewed and evaluated the applicant's qualifying work on a routine and recurring basis and shall have authority and oversight over the applicant.**

*I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of California, that the applicant has (1) been supervised or employed by me or my firm for the period indicated herein, and (2) has completed general accounting experience.*

SIGNATURE #1 (Supervisor) <b>(DO NOT USE BLACK INK)</b>	SOLE PROPRIETOR <input type="checkbox"/>
PRINTED NAME	PARTNER <input type="checkbox"/>
DATE	SHAREHOLDER <input type="checkbox"/>
	OTHER CPA <b>(Second signature required)</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
	CERTIFICATE NO. _____ CPA <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/>
	U.S. STATE OR OTHER AUTHORITY OF ISSUANCE _____
SIGNATURE #2 <b>(DO NOT USE BLACK INK)</b>	SOLE PROPRIETOR <input type="checkbox"/>
PRINTED NAME	PARTNER <input type="checkbox"/>
DATE	SHAREHOLDER <input type="checkbox"/>
	CERTIFICATE NO. _____ CPA <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/>
	U.S. STATE OR OTHER AUTHORITY OF ISSUANCE _____

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTION AND ACCESS**

The information provided in this form will be used by the California Board of Accountancy, to determine qualifications for a Certified Public Accountant License. Sections 5080 through 5095 of the Business and Professions Code authorize the collection of this information. Failure to provide any of the required information is grounds for rejection of the application as being incomplete.

Information provided may be transferred to the Department of Justice, a District Attorney, a City Attorney, or to another government agency as may be necessary to permit the Board, or the transferee agency, to perform its statutory or constitutional duties, or otherwise transferred or disclosed as provided in Civil Code Section 1798.24.

Each individual has the right to review his or her file, except as otherwise provided by the Information Practices Act. Certain information provided may be disclosed to a member of the public, upon request, under the California Public Records Act.

The Executive Officer of the California Board of Accountancy is responsible for maintaining the information in this application, and may be contacted at 2000 Evergreen Street, Suite 250, Sacramento, CA 95815, telephone number (916) 263-3680 regarding questions about this notice or access to records.